

SOUTHERN RAILROADS
AVERT BIG STRIKE;
GRANT DEMANDSFinal Settlement Reached in
Wage Controversy.

CONCESSIONS BY BOTH

Drop Leaves Employees Increase
of Twenty Per Cent.

Allowances Made by Companies Will Not Be Announced, According to Chairman Knapp, One of Mediators—Three Presidents Decide at Last Moment to Accord to Order. Labor Delegates Satisfied.

The Southern railroads have granted the demands of their employees.

A final settlement in the wage controversy between thirteen roads and their brakemen, flagmen, and conductors was reached at 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon through mediation of the Erdman commission in the chambers of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It is announced that concessions have been made on both sides.

Just what all these concessions are will not be known for several months. One of them, on the part of the employees, was a drop of 10 per cent in their demands, which left them an increase in wages of approximately 20 per cent.

KEPT FROM PUBLIC.

What concessions were made by the railroads was not given out, and will not be made public in the near future, according to a statement made by Chairman Knapp, of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

F. P. Curtis, vice president of the Order of Railway Conductors, refused to make any statement last night.

Speaking of the matter last evening, Chairman Knapp, one of the mediators, said that it was the most difficult case that has ever come before the Erdman commission.

The controversy has been hanging fire before the committee for the last fifteen days, and until late yesterday afternoon practically all hope of an amicable settlement had been abandoned. At the last moment, however, the three railroad presidents—Finley, of the Southern; Epperson, of the Atlantic Coast Line; and Melburn, of the Seaboard Air Line—decided to grant the demands, thus averting a disastrous strike.

Minor Meeting To-morrow.

A meeting between the representatives of the railroads and the labor delegates will be held to-morrow. Several minor details will be settled.

The substantial increase will not accomplish the original purpose. While it will give the flagmen, brakemen, and conductors a considerable advance over what they have been earning, it will not put their earnings up to the standard of the Eastern, Northern, and Mexican railroads. To accomplish this standardization was the object of the original demands of the labor side of the contention.

By granting the demands the Southern roads have averted one of the largest strikes in the history of the United States. If the strike had been ordered, 20,000 miles of railroad would have been tied up and nearly 200,000 men thrown out of work. The entire commerce of the South would have been put at a standstill, and the effect would have been world-wide.

Labor Delegates Satisfied.

The large number of labor delegates who have been gathered in Washington for the last few days in the expectation of seeing a strike declared will leave today for their homes, rejoicing in their victory. The following statement was given out by one of them:

"I am glad our demands have been granted, and am going home to work and forget these nervous, strenuous times we have been experiencing up here in Washington. We have not accomplished what we started out to accomplish, but we have done a great deal in that direction. I am sincerely glad there will be no strike."

The railroads concerned in the controversy were the Seaboard Air Line, Southern Railway, Atlantic Coast Line, Louisville and Nashville, Central of Georgia, Florida Peninsular, Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis, Alabama Great Southern, Atlantic and West Point, Yazoo Valley, Western Railway of Alabama, Mobile and Ohio, and the Appalachian Northern.

Perish in Burning Castle.

Koenigsberg, Germany, July 2.—Five persons perished to-day in a fire at Damm, Eastern Prussia, that destroyed the castle of Herr Seel, one of the largest landowners in that section. Three of the victims were girls.

Weds Prince Late in Month.

London, July 2.—The marriage of Miss Dorothy Deacon and Prince Radziwill will be celebrated three weeks hence. Neither date nor place has yet been selected. The delay is due to legal formalities.

\$11.00 Niagara Falls Excursion.

Baltimore, July 2.—A special train of standard coaches and parlor cars from Washington, 7:45 a. m. Route via Philadelphia and Philadelphia Valley R. R. Tickets valid for return within fifteen days. Liberal stop-overs returning. Cheap side trips from Niagara Falls. Other excursions July 22, August 19, September 2, 16, and 30.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

For the District of Columbia and Maryland—Unsettled, probably thunder showers, to-night or to-morrow; continued warm; light variable winds, mostly southerly.

W. P. BROWNLOW ILL.

Tennessee Representative and Boss
Thought to Be Dying.

Bristol, Tenn., July 2.—Representative Walter P. Brownlow, of the First Tennessee district and for years Republican boss of Tennessee, is seriously ill at the hospital of the National Soldiers' Home, near here. He was believed to be dying at 3 o'clock, but rallied. It is feared he cannot live through the night.

LORD WITH "JEFF,"
HIS FATHER SAYSRev. Alexis Jeffries Takes
Sides in Big Fight.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Los Angeles, Cal., July 2.—"Jim comes from a long line of stout men," said the Rev. Alexis C. Jeffries, father of the fighter, to-day. "My father could handle more timber than any man in Ohio. But this fighting is a bad business. Jim is in this business for the money in it. Jim is a great deal better man than a lot of these hypocritical people who have tried to stop this contest. He is honest—most of them are not. Jim would not intentionally strike an unfair blow. He would not harm any one knowingly for the world."

"I say, far better an honest prize fighter than a hypocrite. Fighting is bad business, but it is not wicked. One of the reasons I am so certain Jim will win is because the Lord is on his side. The Lord will help Jim to win this contest, just as he helped David, Saul, and Joshua. When Jim was five or six years old he came to me from school one day and told me that the other boys were striking him and beating him. He wanted to know what to do. "I don't want to fight unless you tell me to," he said. I told him that if he picked on him he should turn on them and smite them. 'Don't be afraid if you are right,' I told him, and the Lord will help you."

"That night when he came from school his coat was torn, his nose had been bleeding, and he was scratched up pretty badly. "Well, son," I said to him, "what has happened?" "Oh," he replied, "the Lord and I licked 'em good."

TOBACCO MEN CONVENE AT SEA

Reach New York with Business All Completed.

New York, July 2.—For the second time in its history, the United States Tobacco Association held its annual convention at sea, chartering the Old Dominion liner Jamestown, which arrived to-day from Norfolk. There were two reasons for having the convention on a coastwise steamship bound this way. One was to get out of the heat of the city, and the other to get to New York and see things, including the Hudson, Connetquot, and other near-by summer breathing spots.

It was the first time that the convention, President T. M. Carrington, who was re-elected, recommended in his report that the farmers be urged not to overwork, but rather to curtail its production. Low prices, he said, were due chiefly to overproduction.

ENDS LIFE IN MANILA.

Samuel C. Ridgaway, Government

Stenographer, in Ill Health.

Baltimore, July 2.—Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Ridgaway, of this city, to-night received a telegram from the War Department in Washington saying that their son, Samuel C. Ridgaway, had committed suicide in Manila, where he was employed as a government stenographer.

The War Department has made arrangements to have the body brought home at once. Interment will be in Baltimore.

The reason assigned for the suicide was ill health, he having suffered from a stomach derangement for more than eleven years. He was thirty years of age.

It is a peculiar coincidence that the death of Ridgaway occurred on the same day as former Representative Frank C. Wadsworth, who secured the deceased his position.

ASSASSINATED BY OLD FOE.

Tennessee Saw Mill Man Shot Down

While at Work.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Bristol, Tenn., July 2.—William Smith, operating a saw mill in Holston Valley, in this county, and a well-known citizen, was shot down to-day at his mill while at work in his mill. The assassin was William Gross, with whom he had had trouble. Gross stationed himself on the mountain above Smith's mill and, leveling his gun, awaited his chance to fire. After killing Smith he rushed down to the house of James Britz and fled at him, striking his aged mother, who was slightly wounded. Gross has been in Arkansas for several years, and returned here only a few days ago.

He escaped into the mountains, with a posse in hot pursuit, threatening to lynch him if he is captured.

SUIT OVER BIG FIGHT.

Contract for Tobacco Signs in

'Prisco Arena Is Basis.

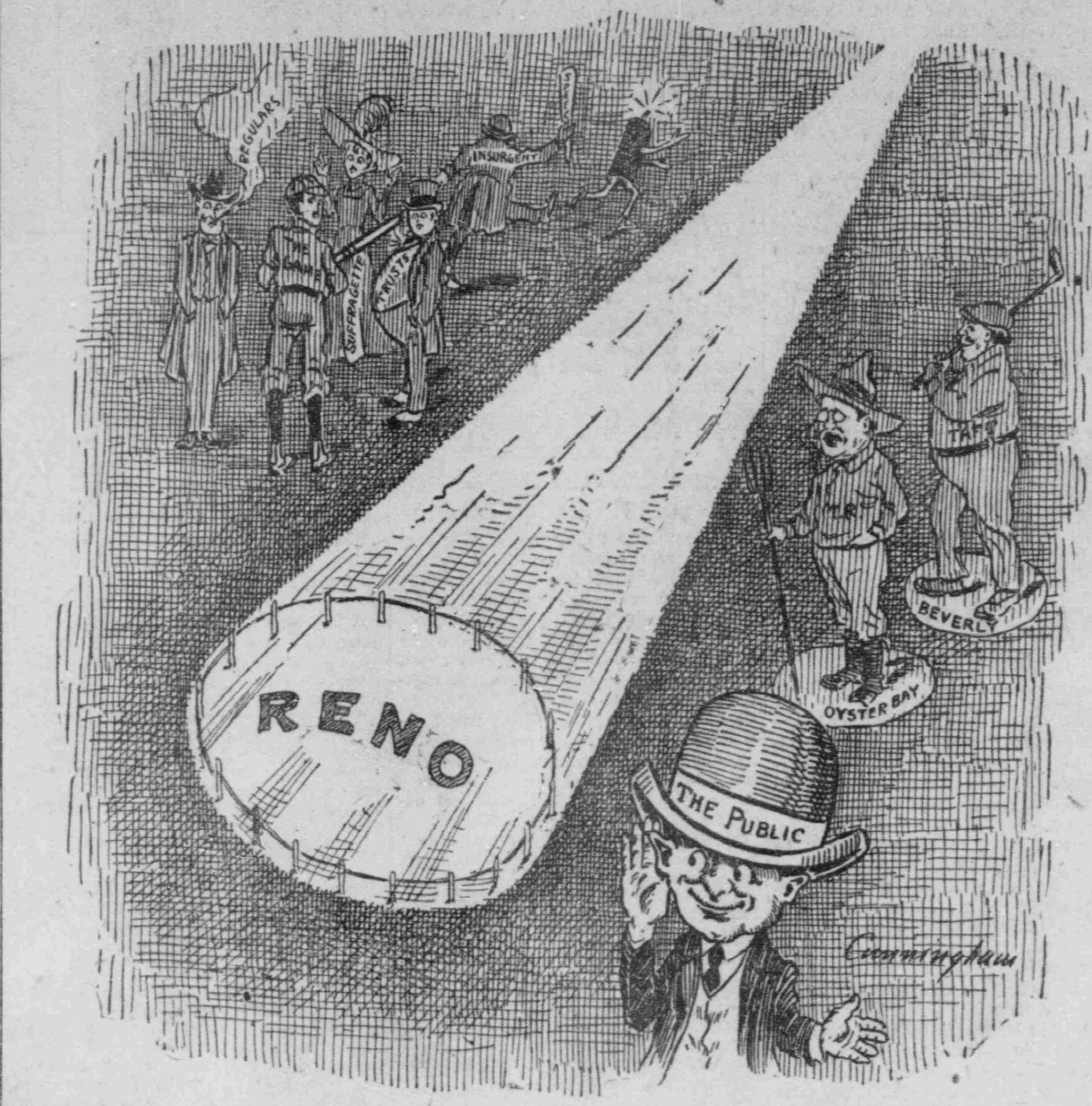
New York, July 2.—There was a report to-night that the American Tobacco Company had served a summons and complaint in an action for \$25,000 in damages upon the American Vitagraph Company and the promoters of the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

The story ran that the American Tobacco Company had made a contract with the moving picture company with Tex Rickard, Jack Gleason, and others to placard the arena in San Francisco so that the advertisements would appear conspicuously in the moving pictures of the fight, and that with the transfer of the fight to Reno this arrangement fell through.

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NOW IN THE SPOTLIGHT.

INSURGENTS HAPPY
WHO SEE COLONELThree Visit Oyster Bay to
Swap Conventionalities.

"MERELY FRIENDLY MEETING"

Statement is Issued by Representative Murdock, to Prevent Erroneous Report, Other Two Callers Being Senator Bristow and Representative Madison, of Kansas.

WAR ON STREET CAR.

Negro Thrown Off and Tries to Hurl

Some Bricks.

A miniature race war had a short but exciting existence last night when a negro named Garfield Wheeler boarded a crowded Pennsylvania avenue street car at Ninth street and took a seat by the side of a white woman. The woman's escort had just arisen to give his seat to another woman when the negro pre-empted the seat.

The escort resented the action and started to mix it up with the negro. The row finally ended by Wheeler being put off the car. The negro veered toward a pile of brick at the curb and proceeded to fill his arms, with the intention of demolishing the car.

Before he could do any damage he was arrested by a crossing policeman of the First precinct and taken to the station. A charge of being drunk and disorderly was entered against him.

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FAMOUS MARES DIE.

Lightning Kills Five Thoroughbreds

in Kentucky.

Lexington, Ky., July 2.—Isaac, dam of the famous race mare Hamburg Belle, and four other thoroughbred brood mares were killed by lightning at an early hour this morning at Elmendorf farm of J. B. Haggin. The mares and their foals were in a pasture entirely devoid of trees or running water, and when found were all lying together, traces of the lightning's work being visible on their heads. The other mares were Lucania, 19, by Sir Modred, dam School Girl by Red Mooney; Flora Hunt, 16, by Martin Hunt; dam Flora Darc, by Darcin; Frolicsome, 12, by Potomac, dam Polly, by Spendthrift, and Sweet Briar, 15, by Sir Modred.

RIOT AFTER MASS.

One Man Killed and Many Injured

in Spain.

Murcia, Spain, July 2.—One man was killed and many hurt in rioting to-day between clerical and anti-clerical in the village of Centi.

The trouble followed a strong sermon against Premier Canalejas' religious programme which a priest delivered at mass.

CONDOLENCES SENT

OVER GUDE'S DEATH

Official Messages Dispatched

by Secretary Knox.

Secretary Knox has sent an official message of condolence to the Norwegian government on the death of Ove Gude, Norwegian minister to the United States, who died at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., Friday night.

The death of the minister was officially reported by O. Skybak, secretary of the legation. Secretary Knox also sent a personal message to Mme. Gude, wife of the minister. His body will probably be taken to his home in Norway for interment.

The death of Minister Gude cast a gloom over the small circle of diplomats remaining in Washington. The minister and his family were well liked here, where they have lived but two years.

His two daughters, the Misses Ingeborg and Sigrid, made their debuts here. Mme. Gude is the second wife of the minister, and is not the mother of his daughters and his son, Lieut. Ove Egeberg Gude, who spent the winter at the legation.

Distinctly Musical Family.

They are a distinctly musical family. The minister had a splendid baritone voice well cultivated, and temperamental. He was most generous in singing for charity and for all private affairs, when he was asked, which was frequently.

Mme. Gude is a charming violinist, and would have made a name for herself in the profession had she gone into it. Instead of marrying, she married a diplomat.

Both the young girls play well, and also sing, an dthey took active parts in all sorts of sports, as well as social affairs. They were especially interested in the recent dog show, and had several entries. The younger Miss Gude was a familiar figure on the downtown streets with her fine Esquimaux dog, Boff, who sticks to his pretty young mistress closer than a brother.

Lieut. Gude returned to Norway the first of April, after making many friends among both the young and the older people of the diplomatic corps here. The death of the minister from Norway will be deeply regretted in Washington.

LIVE AFTER TOADSTOOL FEAST.

Dozen Persons of Garden City Were

Made Ill by Mistake.

New York, July 2.—Fully a dozen persons in Garden City, N. J., including Mrs. Keith Trask, who recently feasted with three girl friends, are slowly recovering from the effects of eating poisonous toadstools, mistaken for mushrooms.

In addition to Mrs. Trask the sufferers are Mrs. Frederick Sawyer, Mrs. Trask's mother, a maid in the Trask household, Mrs. B. D. Bieckel, her sixteen-year-old son, and a half dozen boarders at the fashionable boarding house, patronized by those connected with the cathedral of St. Paul's School.

The hat band contains \$100.

HATBAND CONTAINS \$100.

Mrs. Basil Gordon Sends Hat to

Cleaners—Detectives Get It.

Baltimore, July 2.—That the band of a straw hat is an unsafe place in which to secrete valuables is the belief of the beautiful Mrs. George Barnett, formerly Mrs. Basil Gordon, of Baltimore, who is stopping for a short time at the Hotel Belvedere. Yesterday Mrs. Barnett nearly lost \$100 by hiding it in a hat. Luckily the money was recovered in short order. The hat had been sent to a cleaner.

Detectives Bradley and Berney, of headquarters, were largely instrumental in recovering the money for Mrs. Barnett, who is absent in Washington to-day and apparently still ignorant of the fact that the money is awaiting her hands, having been turned over by the police to the Belvedere management.

AEROPLANES CRASH IN AIR.

Oakland, Cal., July 2.—Samuel Smith,

an aeronaut, is in the hospital to-day with a broken rib as the result of a crash between two aeroplanes at the Emeryville race track.

Clifford O'Brien circled the track several times in a Farman biplane, when a gust of wind caught him as he was 100 feet in the air. The Farman machine was overturned and came hurtling through the air to the ground, a mass of wreckage. O'Brien did not have time to see whether he hurt or not. A cry from the spectators caused him to look up. Directly above him in the air he saw Smith in a Curtiss aeroplane swooping down.

PARTY LEADERS TO OPEN SHOP.

In August headquarters of the Republican Congressional committee will be opened simultaneously in New York and Chicago. The committee has secured its old quarters in the St. James Building, New York, and in the Auditorium in Chicago. As in recent campaigns, Representative Henry C. Loudenslager, of New Jersey, secretary of the committee, will be in charge of the job in New York. Representative James A. Tawney, vice chairman of the committee, will be in charge of headquarters in Chicago.

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